Marion County Election Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 8, 2010 – 3:30 p.m. Election Services Center – 68 N. Gale St.

Board Members Present: Chairman Mark Sullivan; Vice Chairman Patrick Dietrick; Secretary Elizabeth "Beth" White; Laurel S. Judkins, Director of Elections

Others Present: Scott Chinn; Tenley Drescher-Rhoades; April Schultheis; Angie Nussmeyer; Will French; Michael Weiseman; Jenny Troutman; Janet Buchanan; Cathy Behrman; Carol French; Josh Hostetter; Jessica Hudson; Sarah McMains; Daryl Black; Maxine King; Larry Reuben; Scott Carr; Adam Kirsch; Lisa Walls; Andy Harris; Bill Newman; Sam Denton; Earl Carothers; Jennifer Ping; John Elrod

I. Call to Order: Chairman Sullivan called the meeting to order.

II. Absentee Ballot Order

Ms. Judkins stated that, as has been the case in every election since the 2007 General Election, the MCEB unanimously approved the seeking of a court order, allowing the MCEB to count all absentee ballots that, by no fault of the voter, were unable to be counted at the precinct on Election Day. The Order was granted that morning, allowing the MCEB to count the absentee ballots.

(117) absentee ballots are covered by this Order in the 2010 General Election and are broken down in the following manner:

- Misdelivered or received on ED and not make it 51
- Not processed by poll workers 49
- MOS arrived after 11/2 17

III. Signature Comparisons for Military & Overseas Ballots

Ms. Judkins stated that federal and state law allows faxed or emailed military and overseas ballots to be remade by the precinct board at the polls on Election Day. This requirement is confusing to some poll workers and they fail to do it. Consequently, the MCEB approved the properly remade ballots to be counted with the rest of the absentee ballots referenced in item II.

IV. 2010 General Election Provisional Ballot Review – Wayne Township Ms. Judkins stated that due to close races in Wayne Township, the MCEB would review provisional ballots from those included precincts today as opposed to waiting until the following Friday when the rest of the county-wide provisional ballot review would take place.

After (3) independent rounds of review by MCEB staff, the following recommendations were made:

 Provisional ballots 1-8 were cast by properly registered voters and should have been cast as regular ballots on Election Day. The staff recommended these ballots be counted. Madame Clerk motioned to count these provisional ballots. Vice-Chairman Dietrick seconded. It passed unanimously.

- Provisional ballots 9-31 were not properly registered or showed up at the incorrect precinct to vote on Election Day. The staff recommended these ballots not be counted. Madame Clerk motioned to count these provisional ballots. Vice-Chairman Dietrick seconded. It passed unanimously.
- Provisional ballots 32-34 were cast by voters without proper photo ID.
 They have until NOON Friday, November 12, 2010 to bring their proper ID to the MCEB office. The MCEB did not take a vote on these provisionals at this time.
- V. Adjournment: Chairman Sullivan motioned for the meeting to adjourn.

Signed: 12/01/2010
Chairman, Mark K. Sullivan
Vice Chairman, Patrick Dietrick
Secretary, Elizabeth L. White